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For: REPRODUCTION APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING USER MODIFIABLE PROTECTION OF DATA REPRODUCTION (as amended)

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- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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